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REMARKS

Status of claims

Claims 60-67 are pending. Claims 62-67 have been withdrawn as the Examiner has alleged that they are drawn to non-elected subject matter. Applicants have amended claims 60 and 61. Support for the amendments can be found throughout the specification, more particularly with reference to the PCT published specification, on page 8, paragraph 43, page 12, paragraph 55, and on page 20, paragraph 78. Should the Examiner prefer reference to the US published application, support may be found on page 3, first column, paragraph 43, page 4, second column, paragraph 55, and on page 7, first column, paragraph 78.

Information Disclosure Statement

Applicants herewith submit an IDS in compliance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.98. Applicants request consideration of the IDS.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 101

Claim 60 has been rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 101 as allegedly drawn to non-statutory subject matter. Applicants submit that the present amendments render this rejection moot. Applicants respectfully requested withdrawal of this rejection.

Rejection under 35 U.S.C. § 112, second paragraph

Claims 60 and 61 have been rejected under 35 U.S.C. 112, second paragraph, as being indefinite for failing to particularly point out and distinctly claim the subject matter which Applicants regard as the invention. Applicants submit that the present amendments render the rejection moot. Applicants respectfully request withdrawal of this rejection.

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SUMMARY AND CONCLUSION

Applicant submits that the pending claims are in condition for allowance. Should the Examiner wish to discuss the foregoing in an effort to advance this application towards allowance, the Examiner is urged to telephone the undersigned at the indicated number.

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